## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-112-83

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT

## REFERENCE:

As you know, a new locally administered employment and job training system for youth, unskilled workers, and economically disadvantaged individuals was implemented on October 1, 1983 under the federal Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) and the State Family Economic Security Act (FESA). This system provides for the coordination and integration of job preparation and training services by local service delivery areas (SDA) under the direction of local private industry councils (PIC) and subject to the overall policy guidance of the State Job Training Coordinating Council. The Governor has designated 50 SDAs to administer this program in California.

Each SDA has prepared its local employment and training plan for the period October 1983 through June 1984. JTPA/FESA mandates that the administrative structure formed by the SDAs provide for the integration of employment and training services with the local organizational structure for administering AFDC benefits. In order to develop this structure and to provide a comprehensive employment and training system, SDA staff will need to closely coordinate with county welfare department (CWD) staff, and may look to the CWDs for information and/or assistance in the following areas:

- 1. Obtaining supportive services for JTPA participants who are Work Incentive Program (WIN) registrants or guidance for SDA staff on techniques for purchasing supportive services.
  - 2. Referrals of some JTPA participants for their social services needs.
  - 3. Linkages between SDA and CWD management information systems so that SDAs can obtain the data necessary for measurement against federally mandated performance standards.
  - 4. Informing public assistance recipients of the availability of JTPA training.



County welfare departments will be expected to develop relationships with SDAs that will ensure that 1) public assistance recipients are equitably served, 2) accurate grant computations are completed for JTPA participants, and 3) existing federal and state program and fiscal requirements are met. The level of coordination necessary to achieve these objectives will be subject to the needs of the local administering agencies. AFDC applicants who are required to participate in the Work Incentive Program (WIN) will continue to be referred by the CWDs to the Employment Development Department (EDD) for registration. WIN registrants may then be referred to SDAs by the local EDD offices consistent with their employability plans.

In anticipation of county concerns regarding the impact of the JTPA/FESA implementation on CWD operations, the Department of Social Services (DSS) will be working to resolve statewide policy issues as they emerge. The resolution of these issues will be communicated in future notices. In the meantime, if you have particular policy or operational questions, please contact the Employment Programs Bureau at (916) 323-5206.

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